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SUBJC PURCHASE OF FERRYBOAT UNDER USAID CAPITAL

GOODS LOAN 528-L-022

1. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY THE URUGUAYAN UNION OF SEAMEN AND BY THE LOCAL FIRM NAVEGACION ATLANTICA S.A., EXPRESSING CONCERN THAT FERRYBOAT "CAPE MAY" OF THE DELAWARE RIVER AND BAY AUTHORITY, NEWCASTLE, DELAWARE MIGHT NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. ATLANTICA EARLIER HAD AN OPTION ON A SISTER SHIP "NEW JERSEY", FROM THE BAY AUTHORITY, BUT THE NEGOTIATION FAILED AS THE RESULT OF THE UNAVAILABILITY OF GOU CREDIT BACKING AT THE TIME; CAPITAL IS NOW AVAILABLE FROM AID CAPITAL GOODS LAON 528-L-022 AND APPROVAL OF GOU HAS BEEN OBTAINED. WHEN DEAL ON "NEW JERSEY" FELL THROUGH, BAY AUTHORITY AGREED CONSIDER LATER SALE OF "CAPE MAY" TO ATLANTICA. HOWEVER, ANOTHER FIRM IS REPORTEDLY BIDDING FOR VESSEL.

2. EMBASSY WOULD MUCH APPRECIATE IF DEPARTMENT WOULD ASK MR. WILLIAMS J. MILLER, PRESIDENT OF DELAWARE BAY AUTHORITY, PRESENT STATUS OF THE SALE AND SUPPORT URUGUAYAN BID TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. ADDITIONAL FERRYBOAT IS NEEDED RIVER PLATE NAVIGATION BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND URUGUAY AND ALTERNATIVE SOURCES FOR SHALLOW DRAFT SHIP NOT
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KNOWN TO BE AVAILABLE. UNION REPRESENTATIVE SAYS JOB

OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED BY FERRYBOAT IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN
SUPREMACY OF DEMOCRATIC TRADE UNIONS IN MARITIME INDUSTRY.
DELAY MIGHT LEAD TO NECESSITY DE-OBLIGATE USAID FUNDS
NOW AVAILABLE.
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